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VMWARE, INC.  
Petitioner

v.

ELECTRONICS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
Patent Owner

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Case No. IPR2014-00901  
Patent No. 6,978,346

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**PATENT OWNER'S PRELIMINARY RESPONSE  
TO PETITION FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW**

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